

Community Governance Review Sub-Committee

Agenda

Date:	Tuesday, 20th December, 2011
Time:	10.30 am
Venue:	Municipal Executive Suite - Municipal Buildings, Earle Street, Crewe CW1 2BJ

The agenda is divided into 2 parts. Part 1 is taken in the presence of the public and press. Part 2 items will be considered in the absence of the public and press for the reasons indicated on the agenda and at the foot of each report.

PART 1 – MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED WITH THE PUBLIC AND PRESS PRESENT

1. **Apologies for Absence**

2. **Declarations of Interest**

To provide an opportunity for Members and Officers to declare any personal and/or prejudicial interests in any item on the agenda.

3. **Public Speaking Time/Open Session**

In accordance with Procedure Rules Nos.11 and 35 a period of 10 minutes is allocated for members of the public to address the meeting on any matter relevant to the work of the meeting. Individual members of the public may speak for up to 5 minutes but the Chairman or person presiding will decide how the period of time allocated for public speaking will be apportioned where there are a number of speakers. Members of the public are not required to give notice to use this facility. However, as a matter of courtesy, a period of 24 hours' notice is encouraged.

Members of the public wishing to ask a question at the meeting should provide at least three clear working days' notice in writing and should include the question with that notice. This will enable an informed answer to be given.

4. **Minutes of Previous meeting** (Pages 1 - 2)

To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 21st October 2011.

5. **Feedback on Consultation with Stakeholders**

The four week consultation period with interested parties has been undertaken with effect from 14th November until 16th December 2011. Responses will be collated and circulated at the meeting for consideration.

6. **Community Governance Project Plan** (Pages 3 - 6)

A copy of the updated project plan is attached for Members' consideration.

7. **Next Stage of Consultation - Ballot of Electors**

The next stage of consultation, as outlined in the project plan, is to conduct a ballot of electors in Crewe. This is proposed to take place in February 2012. It should be noted that the result of the ballot is not binding in the way that a formal election would be; there are many factors which the Council will need to take into account in reaching a decision, in addition to the result of the ballot. However, the Council will need to demonstrate that the views expressed have been taken into account in reaching a decision on the outcome of the Review; the ballot will form a major element of that consultation.

Using the analysis of the responses from stakeholders and the public, the Sub-Committee is asked to give initial consideration to the wording of the ballot paper.

8. **Date of Next Meeting**

(There are no Part 2 items)